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DATE OF CONTENT 11 to 23 April 1954

DATE OBTAINED [redacted] DATE PREPARED 11 May 1954

REFERENCES 25X1

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REMARKS

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SOURCE [redacted]

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Between 20 and 23 April 1954, source determined that about 80,000 DM east had been allotted for the construction of new buildings and reconditioning work at the camp northeast of Jamlitz at Lieberose troop training grounds. Observed were the construction of a new kitchen building, and reconditioning work on the bathing installation, transformer station, waterworks, club, PX and kitchen buildings. On 23 April, the camp northeast of Jamlitz quartered about 400 engineer troops under the command of Senior Lieutenant Asiskin (fmu). The troops engaged in reconditioning work on the quarters. It was expected the camp would be occupied in late April or at the beginning of May. On 21 April, 3 JS-3 tanks and motor vehicles [redacted] entered the camp. 1

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On 17 April, source determined that the southern garage of the Eichhorn Kaserne (4446) in Frankfurt/Oder, which had been converted into a warehouse was to be occupied by a Soviet unit from Wuensdorf.

On 17 April, source determined that construction work by craftsmen at the barracks installation north of Drachhausen was to be completed by 15 May.

After 20 April, army clothing depot No I (4244) in Bernau was again occupied to capacity. Activity there tended to indicate that the trained personnel was to undergo an inspection. A lieutenant colonel and a major tested the troops in infantry service, aiming and chemical warfare.

On 22 April, Kech officer Major Menkevich (fmu) and one Rauenheimer (fmu) the chief of the special construction office, inspected the work at the installation. 2

The following troop trains passed through Lychen railroad station: At about 10 p.m. on 14 April, 6 flatcars with 12 guns, flatcars with sideracks with about 25 trucks and 4 boxcars with troops, en route toward Templin from the direction of Fuerstenberg.

At about 6:30 p.m. on 23 April, 8 flatcars with 8 guns, 2 flatcars with 4 AT guns, 12 to 15 flatcars with sideracks with 25 to 30 trucks and a field kitchen and 6 boxcars with troops, en route toward Fuerstenberg from the direction of Templin. 3

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The following shipments passed through Prenzlau toward Templin:

At 11:45 p.m. on 11 April, 4 RRI-type cars with JS-1 or JS-2 tanks [redacted] 2 SP guns [redacted] and 1 boxcar.

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25X1X At 1:45 p.m. on 17 April, 3 RRY-type flatcars with JS-1 or JS-2 tanks and SP gun [redacted] 25X1

[redacted] 8. At about 3:30 p.m. on 22 April, 4 T-34/85 tanks, 2 JS-3 tanks, 2 SP guns and about 15 to 20 trucks engaged in an exercise in the area northwest of Neuruppin. Machine gun and rifle fire was heard from the training area. [redacted] 25X1

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25X1A 1. [redacted] Comment. The reconditioning of the camp northeast of Jamlitz indicates that the camp will soon be occupied by the 7th Gds Mech Div. The 18th Mech Div, too, was scheduled to transfer to the summer camp in early May. [redacted] 25X1A

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25X1A 2. [redacted] Comment. Information tends to indicate that the 71st Light Arty Brig (US) was at the post up to 20 April.

25X1A 3. [redacted] Comment. It is possible that an artillery unit of the Fourth Gds Mech Army went to Templin for firing practice on 14 April and returned on 23 April. 25X1A

25X1A 4. [redacted] Comment. Tank units of the 83d Gds Hv Tank SP Regt of the 25th Tank Div which, presumably, went to Templin as advance parties. [redacted]

25X1A 5. [redacted] Comment. An exercise of units of the 12th Gds Tank Div, probably at Genthzrode garrison training grounds. 25X1A

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